

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF WELLSVILLE HELD ON JANUARY 26, 2009 AT 7:00 PM IN THE TRUSTEES ROOM OF THE MUNICIPAL BUILDING, 156 NORTH MAIN ST WELLSVILLE, ALLEGANY COUNTY, NEW YORK.**

**PRESENT:** Mayor: James Cretekos  
Trustees: Laurie Hennessy, Judy Lynch, Jamie Herman, and Tink LaForge  
DPW Dir: William Whitfield  
Police Chief: Steve Mattison  
Village Atty: Dan Synakowski

**ABSENT:** None

**VISITORS:** Jeffrey Albertson, Shawn Mills, Scott Lanphier, Chris Martelle, Jacob Riehle, Joshua Kemp, Gregory Howe, Casey Howe, Kasey Anderson, Bernie Riley, Byron Chandler, Mary Ellen O'Connell, Dean Giopulos, Chris Perkins, and Brian Quinn

The Mayor called the meeting to order and Trustee Lynch led those assembled in the Pledge of Allegiance. **The first order of business would be the approval of the minutes of the previous special meeting held on January 20, 2008. It was noted that the minutes needed to be amended to read that Mayor Cretekos voted for the Howard-Seneca Housing Project during the roll call. With the amendment the minutes were approved on a motion by Trustee LaForge and second by Trustee Herman.**

The meeting was opened for public comments.

1. No comments at this time.

**MAYOR'S BUSINESS:**

1. **Request has been made by Katherine Ross that the Board approve the expenditure of \$600.00 for Music in the Park. The funds are to be used to purchase Adirondack chairs that will be used as a fund raiser. The Mayor made a motion to approve the request and it was seconded by Trustee LaForge with funding subject to the review by the Village Attorney that this was a legal expenditure. If it is the funds will be transferred from the contingency fund to fund the request. Trustee Hennessy voted no due to the fiscal constraints that the Village is currently facing.**
2. **Chief Mattison presented for the Board's consideration a firm pricing on the replacement vehicle for #204. The bid for the 2009 Dodge Charger came in at \$23,187.50 which exceeds the \$19,500.00 approved at the January 20<sup>th</sup> meeting. On a motion by Trustee Herman and second by Trustee Hennessy the approval was amended to the higher amount and the purchase was approved unanimously.**

**TRUSTEES BUSINESS:**

**HERMAN:** Nothing at this time.

**HENNESSY:**

- 1) **Made a motion that the Youth Officer position be eliminated effective March 1, 2009, with Bernie Riley filling the vacant officer's position existing on the force. The motion was seconded by Trustee LaForge and approved by a unanimous vote. Trustee Hennessy thanked Officer Riley for his professionalism and positive approach to the process. She indicated that if any of the alternative funding sources that Officer Riley is pursuing come about the reinstatement of the position will be reviewed at that time by the Board.**
- 2) Indicated that the vote to eliminate one full time dispatch position would not be taking place at this time due to the Board being informed that the position could not be filled with part-time employees.

**LYNCH:**

- 1) Thanked Officer Riley for his helpful approach to the review by the Board of the Youth Officer position and mentioned that it made the process go much easier.

**LAFORGE:**

- 1) Thanked Director Whitfield for the excellent condition that Main Street has been in during very difficult weather conditions and asked that the thanks be passed on to the employees that have done such an excellent job.

**DEPARTMENT REPORTS:**

**FIRE DEPARTMENT:**

- 1. Nothing at this time.

**POLICE:**

- 1. Chief Mattison noted that he had distributed the 2008 Annual Police Department Report to the Mayor and the Trustees.

**DPW:**

- 1. Nothing at this time.

**CLERK TREASURER:**

- 1. **Requested approval for the following current vouchers listed in Abstract #15 dated January 26, 2009 to be paid as reviewed by the Trustees. Motion made by Trustee LaForge seconded by Trustee Hennessy to pay bills in the total amount as follows;**

<u>Abstract #14:</u>			
Fund A	\$ 46,077.97	Vouchers	699 to 758
Fund CT	20,819.57		26 to 28
Fund EE	258,865.54		344 to 372
Fund F	6,680.68		368 to 394
Fund G	11,007.57		356 to 383
Fund R	4,120.09		96 to 104
Fund TA	<u>66,493.57</u>		14 to 15
Total	<u>\$414,064.99</u>		

**Mayor Cretekos requested that the Board move into Executive Session to discuss a contractual matter. On a motion by Trustee Herman and second by Trustee LaForge the Board moved into Executive Session at 7:12pm.**

**Mayor Cretekos requested that the Board move from Executive Session to Regular Session. On a motion by Trustee Herman and second by Trustee LaForge the Board moved back into Regular Session at 7:43pm.**

**With no further business the meeting was adjourned on a call by Mayor Cretekos at 7:43 pm.**

Respectfully submitted,

Darrell Caldwell  
Village Clerk/Treasurer